

A meeting of the Disability Subcommittee of the Rhode Island Retirement Board (hereinafter "Committee") was held on August 7, 2015 in the Board Room of the Employees' Retirement System, 50 Service Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island.

Also in attendance were: Michael Robinson, General Counsel; Dr. Christopher Ley, Medical Advisor; Gayle Mambro-Martin and Frank Karpinski, Employees' Retirement System.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA**

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**Audrey Williams**

Community Living Aide, Zambarano.  
(Estimated service credits 18 years, 1 month)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Boyce:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board overturn the previous approval at 50% and award Ms. Williams' application for an accidental disability at 66 2/3 %.

**Elisabeth Stephenson**

Institution Attendant, R.I. Veterans Home.  
(Estimated service credits 6 years, 3 months, 15 days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley:

**VOTED:** To **overturn** the decision of December 17, 2014 denying Ms. Stephenson's application for an accidental disability pension and to recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** Ms. Stephenson's application for an accidental disability retirement pursuant to Rhode Island General Law § 36-10-15 (b) for 50 % of her compensation at the time of her retirement. Mr. Finelli voted Yes. Mr. Roos and Mr. Marcaccio voted Nay.

#### **ACCIDENTAL MATTERS PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED**

**Micheal Ray**

Firefighter, Cranston Fire Department. (Estimated service credits 12 years, 10 months, 13 days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** Mr. Ray's application for an accidental disability. Mr. Marcaccio voted Nay.

**Albert Turcotte**

Carpenter, MHRH.  
(Estimated service credits 3 years, 7 months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and

upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Boyce:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Postpone** a decision on Mr. Turcotte's application for an accidental disability pension. Mr. Finelli voted Yes. Mr. Roos and Mr. Marcaccio voted Nay.

### **ACCIDENTAL - NEW**

**Jennifer Csizmesia** Water Division Meter Reader, City of Woonsocket.  
(Estimated service credits 11 years)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Marcaccio and seconded by Mr. Roos:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Deny** Ms. Csizmesia's application for an accidental disability pension. Mr. Boyce voted Nay.

**Peter Souza** Detective, Cranston Police Department. (Estimated service credits 19 years 1 month, 1 day)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Roos:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Postpone** a decision on Mr. Souza's application for an accidental disability pension.

**Joseph Nascenzi** Information Aide, Division of Motor Vehicles.  
(Estimated service credits 10 years, 10 months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Roos and seconded by Mr. Marcaccio:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Deny** Mr. Nascenzi's application for an accidental disability pension.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Marcaccio and seconded by Mr. Roos:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** Mr. Nascenzi's application for an ordinary disability.

**Emanuel Rodrigues** Mechanic, Central Falls Public Works. (Estimated service credits 11 years, 7 months, 6 days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Roos and seconded by Mr. Marcaccio:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Postpone** a decision on Mr. Rodrigues' application for an accidental disability pension.

**ORDINARY - NEW**

**Ronald Letellier** Correctional Officer, RI Department of Corrections. (Estimated service credits 12 years, 8 months, 10 days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Marcaccio:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** Mr. Letellier's application for an ordinary disability retirement.

**Janet Sheehan** Principal, East Providence School Department. Maintenance Mechanic B, East Providence School Department. (Estimated service credits 25 years,)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** Ms. Sheehan's application for an ordinary disability retirement.

**Agenda**

Discussion regarding disability applicants confined to Nursing Home. Dr. Ley to review these applications.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley it was unanimously:

**VOTED**

To adjourn the meeting at 12:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle C. Mambro-Martin, Esq.  
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August 27, 2015